TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 224 - SB 1353

February 16, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Correction (DOC), in consultation with the Board of Probation and Parole (BOPP), to establish a pilot halfway house program through competitive grants by January 1, 2010. Requires such program to provide 100 percent state funding to one residential community-based alternative to incarceration in each grand division. Requires DOC in consultation with BOPP, to provide a preliminary report on the pilot program by February 15, 2011, and a full report by September 1, 2011, to the Senate and House Judiciary Committees.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$410,900

Assumptions:

- One pilot halfway house program will be established in each of the three grand divisions. Each residence will house 15 offenders. According to BOPP, the current rate for these offenders is \$25 per day. The increase in state expenditures would be \$410,906.25 (\$25 x 365.25 days x 15 offenders x 3 grand divisions).
- No local matching funds will be required for these pilot programs.
- No ending date is specified for this pilot project. The expenditures are therefore recurring.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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